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SUBJ: TRAVEL OF AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE SELDEN

REF: SUVA 145

1. TO ASSIST IN PREPARATION FOR AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE SELDEN'S TRAVEL TO NEW ZEALAND AND TIMING OF PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS, I SHOULD POINT OUT THAT GOVERNOR-GENERAL IS RESIDENT IN AUCKLAND UNTIL MID-MAY. HOWEVER, ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR AMBASSADOR TO PRESENT CREDENTIALS UPON ARRIVAL AUCKLAND ENROUTE TO WELLINGTON.

2. GIVEN THE CONSTRAINTS ON PRESENTATION AT FIJI AND ASSUMING AMBASSADOR WOULD NOT WISH DELAY DEPARTURE FROM US FOR SEVERAL WEEKS, THERE APPEAR TO BE TWO POSSIBILITIES:

A. BYPASS ISLANDS, COME TO NEW ZEALAND, PRESENT CREDENTIALS, GET SETTLED, THEN PROCEED TO ISLANDS IN MAY TO PRESENT CREDENTIALS AT THE THREE CAPITALS, PLUS MEETING WITH GOVERNOR OF AMERICAN SAMOA.

B. AS PER REFTTEL, PRESENT CREDENTIALS AT APIA AND TONGA AND PROCEED ON TO NEW ZEALAND, RETURNING

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TO FIJI AT LATER DATE.

3. WHATEVER THE ARRANGEMENT, I WOULD PROPOSE TO SEND
PHIL VANDIVIER TO MAKE PRE-ARRANGEMENTS AT AMERICAN
AND WESTERN SAMOA AND ACCOMPANY THE SELDEN'S TO
NEW ZEALAND.

4. THIS MESSAGE CONCURRED IN BY MOSER.

5. EMBASSY AWAITS YOUR DECISION.
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